

LISTING OF THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows. This listing of claims replaces all previous versions of the claims.

1. (Currently Amended) A method of supplying a receiver with tuning information for provided services, comprising the following steps:

~~compiling a database comprising the following information items: a plurality of service identifiers identifying said provided services; and a plurality of sets of tuning parameters, each of which sets is associated with a respective one of said plurality of service identifiers;~~

retrieving a set of tuning parameters for a requested one of a plurality of provided services by accessing said a database through one of said a plurality of service identifiers, wherein the database comprises the following information items: the plurality of service identifiers identifying the plurality of provided services, and a plurality of sets of tuning parameters, each of the sets being associated with a respective one of said plurality of service identifiers; and

using said retrieved tuning parameters for tuning said a receiver,

wherein said database comprises at least two identical service identifiers.

2. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 1, wherein ~~said database is compiled by a remote terminal, and the step of retrieving a the set of tuning parameters comprises accessing said database through a data network, preferably the Internet.~~

3. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 1, wherein ~~the step of retrieving a the set of tuning parameters comprises the step of selecting a one of the service identifier identifiers by means of using~~ a web browser.

4. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 1, ~~wherein the step of compiling said database comprises the additional step of further comprising downloading said database as a file to said receiver, preferably as an HTML file.~~

5. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 1, wherein ~~said database comprises at least two identical service identifiers, and wherein the step of retrieving a set of tuning parameters comprises the additional step of selecting one of said at least two identical service identifiers in dependence on to which network said receiver is currently tuned.~~

6. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 1, wherein ~~said database comprises at least two identical service identifiers, and wherein the step of retrieving a set of tuning parameters comprises the additional step of selecting the most recently used of said at least two identical service identifiers.~~

7. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 1, wherein ~~the step of using said retrieved tuning parameters comprises the step of transferring said tuning parameters from said database directly to said receiver.~~

8. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 1, ~~wherein further comprising compiling said database is compiled in a Set Top Box in a set top box.~~

9. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 1, wherein ~~the step of~~ compiling said database comprises performing a channel search.

10. (Original) The method according to claim 1, wherein said service identifiers relate to a Digital Video Broadcasting system.

11. (Original) The method according to claim 1, wherein said set of tuning parameters comprises any of the following items: frequency, forward error correction, symbol rate, and packet identifier.

12. (Currently Amended) ~~A communication network~~ An apparatus, comprising:
~~at least one service provider system;~~

~~at least one~~ a subscriber terminal arranged to receive and process information from ~~said at least one~~ service provider system ~~configured to access a database~~, wherein said database ~~comprising comprises~~ the following information items: a plurality of service identifiers identifying services provided by said at least one service provider system, and a plurality of sets of tuning parameters, each of which sets is associated with a respective one of said plurality of service identifiers, ~~said database comprising at least two identical service identifiers, and~~

wherein said subscriber terminal is arranged to be tuned to a requested service by accessing said database through said service identifier of said requested service and retrieving tuning parameters associated with said requested service.

13. (Currently Amended) The ~~apparatus network~~ according to claim 12, wherein said database is provided at a terminal different from said ~~at least one~~ subscriber terminal, and said ~~at least one~~ subscriber terminal is arranged to access said database through a ~~data network~~, preferably the Internet.

14. (Currently Amended) The ~~apparatus network~~ according to claim 12, wherein said ~~at least~~ subscriber terminal is arranged to access said database ~~by means of using~~ a web browser.

15. (Currently Amended) The ~~apparatus network~~ according to claim 12, wherein said database is arranged to be downloaded to said ~~at least one~~ subscriber terminal as a data file, preferably as an HTML file.

16. (Currently Amended) The ~~apparatus network~~ according to claim 12, wherein said ~~database comprises at least two identical service identifiers, and wherein~~ said subscriber terminal is arranged to select one of said at least two identical service identifiers in dependence on to which network said receiver is currently tuned.

17. (Currently Amended) The ~~apparatus network~~ according to claim 12, wherein said ~~database comprises at least two identical service identifiers, and wherein~~ said subscriber terminal is arranged to select the most recently used of said at least two identical service identifiers.

18. (Currently Amended) The ~~apparatus network~~ according to claim 12, wherein said subscriber terminal comprises a ~~Set-Top-Box~~ set top box.

19. (Canceled).

20. (Currently Amended) The ~~apparatus network~~ according to claim 12, wherein said service identifiers relate to a Digital Video Broadcasting system.

21. (Currently Amended) The ~~apparatus network~~ according to claim 12, wherein said set of tuning parameters comprises any of the following items: frequency, forward error correction, symbol rate, and packet identifier.

22. (Currently Amended) ~~A subscriber terminal in a communication network, wherein said terminal is~~ An apparatus arranged to store a database comprising the following information items: a plurality of service identifiers identifying services provided by a service provider systems, at least two of the service identifiers being identical; and a plurality of sets of tuning parameters, each of which sets is associated with a respective one of said plurality of service identifiers; wherein said subscriber terminal is arranged to be tuned to a requested service by accessing said database through said service identifier of said requested service and retrieving tuning parameters associated with said requested service.

23. (Canceled).

24. (Currently Amended) ~~A-The apparatus terminal~~ according to claim 22, wherein said ~~at least subscriber terminal apparatus~~ apparatus is arranged to access said database by means of a web browser.

25. (Currently Amended) ~~A-The apparatus~~terminal according to claim 22, wherein said database is arranged to be downloaded to said ~~at least one subscriber terminal apparatus~~ as a data file, preferably as an HTML file.

26. (Currently Amended) ~~A-The apparatus~~terminal according to claim 22, wherein said database comprises at least two identical service identifiers, and wherein said ~~subscriber terminal apparatus~~ is arranged to select one of said at least two identical service identifiers in dependence on to which network said receiver is currently tuned.

27. (Currently Amended) ~~A-The apparatus~~terminal according to claim 22, wherein said database comprises at least two identical service identifiers, and wherein said ~~subscriber terminal apparatus~~ is arranged to select the most recently used of said at least two identical service identifiers.

28. (Currently Amended) ~~A-The apparatus~~terminal according to claim 22, wherein said ~~subscriber terminal comprises~~comprising a Set-Top-Box~~set top box~~.

29. (Canceled).

30. (Currently Amended) ~~A-The apparatus~~terminal according to claim 22, wherein said service identifiers relate to a Digital Video Broadcasting system.

31. (Currently Amended) The ~~apparatus~~terminal according to claim 22, wherein said set of tuning parameters comprises any of the following items: frequency, forward error correction, symbol rate, and packet identifier.

32. (Currently Amended) ~~A computer program product directly loadable into the internal memory of a digital computer connected to a communication network, to which network providers of digital services are connected, said computer program product comprising software~~

~~code portions for performing the following steps~~A computer-readable medium storing computer-executable instructions for performing a method, the method comprising:

compiling a database comprising the following information items: a plurality of service identifiers identifying provided services; ~~at least two of the service identifiers being identical,~~ and a plurality of sets of tuning parameters, each of ~~which the sets is being~~ associated with a respective one of said plurality of service identifiers;

retrieving a set of tuning parameters for a requested ~~one of the provided services~~service by accessing said database through one of said plurality of service identifiers; and

using said retrieved tuning parameters for tuning ~~said a~~ receiver.

33. (New) The computer-readable medium according to claim 32, wherein retrieving a set of tuning parameters comprises selecting one of said at least two identical service identifiers in dependence on to which network said receiver is currently tuned.

34. (New) The computer-readable medium according to claim 32, wherein retrieving a set of tuning parameters comprises selecting the most recently used of said at least two identical service identifiers.